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Options in Scoring in Scrabble

In Scrabble, scoring can be quite strategic and fun! Here are the main ways to score points:

1. **Letter Values**: Each letter tile has a specific point value. Common letters like 'E' and 'A' are worth 1 point, while less common letters like 'Q' and 'Z' are worth 10 points.

2. **Word Multipliers**: The board has special squares that multiply the score of the word. Double Word Score (DWS) and Triple Word Score (TWS) squares can significantly boost your points.

3. **Letter Multipliers**: There are also squares that multiply the value of individual letters. Double Letter Score (DLS) and Triple Letter Score (TLS) can turn a low-value letter into a high-scoring one.

4. **Bingo Bonus**: If you use all seven of your tiles in one turn, you get a 50-point bonus, known as a "bingo."

5. **Adding to Existing Words**: You can add letters to existing words on the board to create new words. This can score points for both the new word and the original word.

6. **Parallel Plays**: Placing a word parallel to an existing word can create multiple new words and score points for each new word formed.

7. **Hooks**: Adding a single letter to an existing word to form a new word. For example, adding an 'S' to "CAT" to make "CATS."

8. **High-Value Letters on Multipliers**: Placing high-value letters like 'Q', 'Z', 'X', or 'J' on Double or Triple Letter Score squares can yield big points.

9. **End Game**: When the game ends, any remaining tiles on your rack are subtracted from your total score. If you use all your tiles, you also get the sum of the tiles left on your opponent's rack added to your score.

Scrabble is a game of both vocabulary and strategy.